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Letter dated 11 June 2007 from the Minister Counsellor for Host Country Affairs of the United States Mission to the United Nations addressed to the Chairman of the Committee

I have the honour to transmit herewith the text of a note verbale dated 11 June 2007 that has been sent by the United States Mission to the Permanent Mission of Cuba to the United Nations in response to the latter's note verbale dated 9 May 2007 (see annex). I request that you circulate the attached diplomatic note as a document of the Committee on Relations with the Host Country.

(*Signed*) Russell **Graham**
Minister Counsellor for Host Country Affairs

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Annex to the letter dated 11 June 2007 from the Minister Counsellor for Host Country Affairs of the United States Mission to the United Nations addressed to the Chairman of the Committee

The United States Mission to the United Nations presents its compliments to the Permanent Mission of Cuba to the United Nations and has the honour to refer to the latter's note verbale number NV 2017 of 9 May 2007. The United States Mission and the Department of State have reviewed background information related to the denial of a visa to Fabiola Mora, a representative of the Cuban non-governmental organization National Union of Writers and Artists of Cuba. It appears that Mrs. Mora inadvertently was denied a visa, and was therefore unable to participate in the fifty-first session of the Commission on the Status of Women from 26 February to 9 March. Had the Permanent Mission of Cuba notified the United States Mission of the denial of Mrs. Mora's visa when it occurred, this Mission could have informed the appropriate host country authorities that immediate corrective action was required.